

Site Revealed for New Little League® International Central Region Headquarters Stadium Complex Planned to Open in Spring 2020

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Whitestown, Ind. – The crack of the bat, the cheers from teammates in the dugouts, and the roar of the crowd in the stands. Those will be sounds coming from the new Little League® International Central Region Headquarters in Whitestown beginning in the spring of 2020. Whitestown leaders are thrilled to announce that the purchase agreement has been signed, so we are now able to share the exact location where the new Central Region Headquarters will be built.

The 10,000 square foot headquarters and at least two fields will be built on 20-acres at the former Wrecks Inc. site at 7060 S. Indianapolis Road in Whitestown, just west of I-65 at Exit 130. Town Manager, Dax Norton, Parks Director, Nathan Messer, and Town Attorney, Steve Unger, worked quickly to finalize an agreement for purchase of the land with the Maurer family, who has owned the site and surrounding land for decades.

"We want to express our gratitude to the Maurer family for being willing to help us turn an abandoned piece of property into a prosperous, thriving attraction that families will be able to enjoy for many years to come." said Norton.

The new headquarters and fields will be approximately a \$5 million investment. The facility will also host the Little League Baseball® Great Lakes and Midwest Region Tournaments as well as the Little League Softball® Central Region Tournament each year. For the two-week period during which those tournaments take place, hotels, restaurants, and other retail businesses in Whitestown and across Boone County will feel the influx of thousands of tourists. The estimated economic impact of those tournaments is \$5 to \$10 million annually.

Broadcasting facilities will also be built at the site and all Central Region Tournament games are scheduled to be broadcast from Whitestown, Indiana on the ESPN Family of Networks.

Little League International plans to have the fields completed in time for the 2020 Central Region Baseball and Softball tournaments.

The central region headquarters is one of five Little League regional offices and serves hundreds of thousands of Little Leaguers® in Kansas, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

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